Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 15 Dec 2020 until 23:59 on Wednesday 16 Dec 2020

Forecast Issued on Monday 14 Dec 2020 at 15:39 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Tuesday and Thursday. Low for detail on Wednesday and Friday.

Headline for Tuesday 15 Dec 2020: Mainly dry with some brightness. Wintry showers by evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 15 Dec 2020

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sleet	Sleet
Precipitation probability							
10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	30%	70%

Forecast for Tuesday 15 Dec 2020

Weather: Mainly dry for daylight hours with some sunshine, some patchy low cloud across the south of the area. Showers will extend north after dark, wintry above 950 metres or so.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Most summits clear in the north of the area, some patchy cloud around 600 metres across Rannoch Moor, Ben Alder and Creag Meagaidh. Low cloud becoming extensive after dark down to 500 metres.

Visibility: Mainly very good during daylight hours. Poor in cloud and snow.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	34/45 S	32/43 S	31/41 S	28/38 S	29/39 S	28/37 S	29/39 S	28/38 S	28/37 S
900	31/39 S	31/39 S	29/36 S	27/34 S	28/36 S	26/34 S	26/34 S	26/33 S	26/33 S
600	19/28 S	19/29 S	17/26 S	17/26 S	18/27 S	15/24 S	13/22 S	14/23 S	15/23 S
300	9/24 S	9/23 S	7/19 S	7/20 S	8/20 S	6/17 S	5/12 S	5/15 SW	5/13 S
Glen	4/19 S	3/18 S	4/15 S	3/14 S	4/17 S	2/12 S	3/12 S	4/16 S	4/17 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-11	-2/-11	-2/-11	-2/-10	-2/-11	-2/-10	-2/-11	-3/-11	-4/-12
900	2/-6	2/-6	1/-6	1/-6	1/-6	1/-6	1/-6	0/-7	0/-6
600	4/-1	4/-1	4/-1	4/-1	4/-1	4/-1	3/-1	3/-2	2/-2
300	5/2	5/2	4/2	4/2	5/2	4/2	4/2	3/1	2/0
Glen	5/4	5/3	5/3	5/3	6/4	6/4	4/2	3/1	3/0
Freezing Level*	1100m	1100m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1100m	900m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Notable wind chill at height. Icy surfaces at higher elevations.

Forecast for Wednesday 16 Dec 2020
Weather: Widespread rain, with snow on higher summits, spreading north in the morning. Turning dry in the afternoon but further widespread rain and higher summit snow spreading east after dark. Very windy.

Maximum wind: Southerly gusts 50 to 60 mph for most of the day on the tops, and nearer 70 mph over Cairngorm

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Widespread low cloud between 450 and 700 metres in morning rain and snow, this breaking up from the west for a while in the afternoon before returning after dark. Low confidence for detail at this stage.

Visibility: Mainly good outside of low cloud and rain

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 rising to 8 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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